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COUNCIL DISPLAYS WISDOM.

The city council is to be congratulated on its recent action in selecting Mr. P. J. Krouse of Meridian as the architect of the new high school building which is to be erected here. Mr. Krouse has been given only a comparatively small number of contracts in Columbus, but the few local buildings which he has designed are models of architectural grace and beauty, and the Commercial feels sure that he will design a school building which will not only be a credit to his ability as an architect but a source of pride to all loyal and public spirited Columbians.

The council also displayed wisdom in not having compelled architects to submit specific designs from which to make a selection, as needs vary in different communities, and it is much better to have the architect look carefully over the ground and make his plans conform to local requirements.

It is the intention of the council to exercise due care in every phase of the work, and it is safe to predict that when the building is finally completed it will represent full value for every dollar put into it.

THE MEETING OF THE PEDAGOGUES.

More than one thousand pedagogues attended the annual meeting of the Mississippi Teachers' Association held in Jackson last week, and while the place for the 1917 amalgamation will not be selected until early next spring, the Commercial takes the liberty of suggesting to the directors of the Chamber of Commerce that they at once begin making plans to secure this meeting.

It is generally admitted that Columbus will be forced to put up some money in order to induce the pedagogues to come here, but she can well afford to do this. The meeting of the Grand Chapter of Mississippi, Order of the Eastern Star, which was held here only a few weeks since, served to show how conventions help business, and every firm and corporation in the city should willingly contribute to the fund necessary to secure the next annual meeting of the school teachers. The Columbus Railway, Light and Power Company, which would undoubtedly be the largest beneficiary, should make a handsome donation, while hotels and restaurants should follow with liberal contributions and merchants and manufacturers should all give something.

When efforts have been made in former years to induce the school teachers to meet here the contention has been set up that Columbus could not accommodate the crowd; but this contention is, we think, untenable, as the city has not only three caravansaries but innumerable smaller hotels and boarding houses, and if the accommodations which they afford should prove insufficient the people of the city would gladly throw open their homes to their visitors.

Columbus is generally regarded as one of the literary centers of the state, and it certainly looks like the teachers, many of whom are graduates of a local institution, the Industrial Institute and College, could be induced to come here for at least a trial meeting.

A CHANCE FOR THE DEMOCRATS.

A resolution providing that the expenditures of presidential candidates be limited has been introduced in Congress, and if the Democrats fail to pass it while they are in power they will, in our opinion, make a grave mistake.

It is a well known fact that Wall street financiers are behind the Republicans and that when a presidential campaign is in progress they can raise anywhere from ten to twenty times as much money as the Democrats. Savoyard, one of the best known and best informed newspaper correspondents in Washington, openly and

unequivocally stated in an article which appeared only last week that the Republican presidential nominee will be named in the New York office of J. Pierpont Morgan, and that the National Convention, when it assembles in Chicago, will merely carry out the dictum of the coterie of financiers which Morgan heads.

As long as present conditions exist the Republicans will always have a big advantage over the Democrats as far as raising money is concerned, and the only way to place the two parties on a parity in this respect is to limit the campaign expenditures of presidential candidates.

HARPER'S WEEKLY PASSES.

In the passing of Harper's Weekly, which was recently absorbed by the New York Independent, a journal which was for a long time recognized as not only a literary but a political power has gone out of existence.

The paper was established soon after the close of the civil war, and was for many years recognized as one of the country's foremost weeklies, having for a long time been of a very small number of publications that carried really artistic illustrations in their regular issues. For more than twenty-five years the Weekly was Republican in politics, but recanted in 1884, and led the fight which resulted in the election of Grover Cleveland, the first Democratic president to occupy the White House since the close of the civil war.

It was Col. George Harvey, for many years editor of the Weekly, who first brought Woodrow Wilson into political prominence. It was he who manipulated the situation in New Jersey so as to bring about his election as governor, and it was while serving as chief executive of that state that the President achieved the reputation for sagacity and statesmanship that finally landed him in the White House.

A short time subsequent to the election of President Wilson Col. Harvey relinquished his interest in the Weekly, and the editorial management was assumed by Norman Hapgood, who for a number of years previous had been editor of Collier's Weekly. In making the legal transfer necessary to the change it became necessary to make public the fact that all the Harper publications were mortgaged to the Wall street firm of J. Pierpont Morgan and Company, and this caused the publications to lose their influence with their readers. The people, knowing that the Weekly was controlled by malefactors of wealth, assumed that its utterances would naturally be dictated by the money barons, and soon ceased to look upon them as being sincere and unbiased.

Under the management of Mr. Hapgood the Weekly steadily deteriorated and soon lost all its prestige, the last few months of its existence having been fraught with financial difficulties which made ultimate failure inevitable.

DECLARES LAW UNCONSTITUTIONAL.

Hon. R. B. Campbell, president of the Mississippi Bar Association, in an address before the organization at its annual meeting in Laurel last week, unequivocally declared the liquor law passed by the Mississippi Legislature at its recent session to be unconstitutional.

The law in question limits the amount of vinous, spiritous and malt liquors which a citizen of the state may receive within a given period, and this, Mr. Campbell declares, is an infringement upon the rights and privileges guaranteed under the provisions of the Constitution of the United States. The jurist declared that the constitution gives every citizen the right to purchase as much liquor as he may desire for his personal use, and that no law-making body is vested with the power to take this privilege from them. He further pointed out that the courts of highest resort in several states had declared laws similar to that recently passed by the Mississippi Legislature to be unconstitutional, and predicted a similar fate for this statute.

Preparations are now being made to test the constitutionality of the law, and the outcome is being awaited with a great deal of interest.

A western minister displayed decidedly poor taste

when he presented to the Methodist General Conference, which was in session at Saratoga Springs, N. Y., last week, a resolution censuring President Wilson for serving wine to guests at the White House. The resolution was received without the least display of enthusiasm and was referred to the committee on temperance, by which it will probably be pigeon-holed. In introducing the resolution the minister was doubtless actuated by a desire to gain public notoriety, and in order to keep from furthering his ambition in this direction we are withholding publication of his name.

FRANKLIN ACADEMY.

Honor Roll.

Eleventh grade—Nina W. Oliver, Elizabeth Leigh, Katherine Banks, Joseph Arnold, Marie Graham, Robert Weaver.

Tenth grade—Clyde Kennedy, Eunice Lipscomb, Oliver McGowan, Rebecca Piques, Martin Hoke, Emily Gorse, Marie Hopkins, Catherine Hudson.

Ninth grade—Claire Bradley, Bertie Duncan, Annie Lee Lawson, Sarah McHaffey, Martha Seavey, Theodore Patton.

Eighth grade—Orvin Gilmer, Ethel Rippy, Cater Banks, Doris Boyd, Ida Dashiell, Waterman Edwards, Frances Hartin, Martha Harris, Mary Alice Lawley, Julia Lipscomb, Lucy McClanahan, Teresa Mullen, Nina McCullough.

Seventh grade—Thelma Burke, Louise Ekl, Virginia Garth, Fannie Harrison, Thelma Higshaw, Lucile Love, Ruth McCreevey, Jack Donnell, Dave Feinstein.

Sixth grade—Marie Daniels, Sarah Rickman, Agnes Summers, Sam F. Littlejohn, Walter Wallace, John Walker, William McChesney.

Fifth grade—Adelle Drury, Lucile Lawrence, Ethel Miller, Laura Pulliam, Annie Lou Stuart, Elizabeth Townsend, Archie Breast, Edward Dillard, Scott Dee, William Higgins, John Kennedy, Wales Laird, Percy Maer, Gordon McGowan, Alexander Piques, Julian Reed, Anna Windham.

Fourth grade—Earl Dougherty, Will Evans, Harrison Moody, Margaret Flood, Beatrice Lester, Grace Morris, Lucile Pogue, Laurie Waring, Virginia Wilkinson, Marie Eggleston, Mary Belle Vipperman, Lloyd D. Hall.

Third grade—Mary Griffin, Jean Powell, Menard Vaughan, Bessie Welsh, Gladys Wilkins, Ada Morris, Margaret Ford, Annie L. McClanahan, Elizabeth Garth, Griffin Wooten, Eula May Bennett.

Second grade—Gregory Hall, Rubie Lindsey, Clayton Parker, Jack Yerby, Frances Doss, Maudie McCrary.

First grade—D. S. McClanahan, William McGowan, Selma Davis, Anna Laura Ezell, Catherine Allen, Mary Bradley, Marguerite Drury, Kathleen Rickman, Elizabeth Wilbanks, Cora Wooten, George Ford, Marion Wood, Fred Wright.

BARROW MEMORIAL SCHOOL.

Honor Roll.

Eighth grade—William Lofton, Augustus Jones, Hess Jones, Lucile Wilson, Emily Slack, Esther Ralston, Agnes Roth, Annie B. Ramsey, Leo Greene, Martha Frazee, Clyde Easley, Clendenin Baird, Annie L. Burrage, Ruth Beard, Mildred Brown, Clara Alexander.

Seventh grade—Paul Tesch, Compton Lindsey, Viva Kate Cole, Louise Curry, Gladys Durrett, Emma Kline, Annie P. Stinson, Etylee Scofield, Celeste Loving, Elise Leech, Joe Ben Claire, Julia Harrell, Edith Hamner, Warren Cox, Houston Puckett, John Laws.

Sixth grade—Julia Tribble, Kathleen McDaniels, Adolph Cox, William Duren, Andrew Puckett, Jacob Simon, Cecil Cook.

Fifth grade—Lena Gibson, Mary Broom, Louella Shelton, Clara M. Stallings, Celeste Vanse, Annie Scofield, George Brown, Philip Cox, Hall Sykes.

Fifth grade—Bethel Strickland, Alma Stolzer, Curry Reese, Hazel Reynolds, Clara Ralston, Arthur Stansel.

Third grade—Fannie M. Cole, Lucille Duncan, Elizabeth Egger, Alberta James, Mildred McWilliams, Etta Mae Swanzey, Mary B. Jackson, John Ralston.

Second grade—James Whitten, James Duren, Inez Thornbrough, Frances Beard, Katherine Cox, Mildred Mays, Lillian Mabry, Elizabeth Lang, Agnes Tesch.

Carter's Services Appreciated.

Mr. W. H. Carter, who recently resigned as secretary of the local commercial club to accept a position with the Masonic Annuity, has received the following letter of appreciation from the directors of the Chamber of Commerce.

Columbus, Miss., May 5, 1916.
Mr. W. H. Carter,
Columbus, Miss.

Dear Sir:
In accepting your resignation as Secretary-Manager of this organization, the president and directors of the Chamber of Commerce of Columbus and Lowndes county have instructed the undersigned committee to convey to you our appreciation of your valuable services and our sincere regret at your withdrawal.

This committee finds it indeed difficult to properly carry out these instructions and to fittingly express the feeling with which the board of directors accepts your resignation,—made necessary by your decision to enter into other and larger fields of labor.

As Secretary-Manager of this organization for the past two years your administration has been conspicuous for its competency and progressiveness and all that goes to make a community move onward and under your direction we have been able to accomplish things for Columbus and Lowndes county which were believed impossible. Truly you have changed pessimists into optimists, "knockers" into "boosters" and now you may have the satisfaction of knowing that your efforts have not been mispent and that this community will long be your debtor.

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For Congress.
GUY W. MITCHELL
E. S. CANDLER
JAS. A. CUNNINGHAM

Citation Notice.
No. 3133.

The State of Mississippi to S. B. Bradford, Mrs. S. B. Bradford, Mrs. Annie George Bradford, Francis George Bradford, a minor, being with his mother, Mrs. Annie George Bradford:

You are commanded to appear before the Honorable A. Y. Woodward, Chancellor, at chambers, in the city of Louisville, Mississippi, in vacation, Saturday, the 20th day of May, 1916, at nine o'clock a. m., then and there to defend the petition of C. K. McGee, asking for a sale of real estate to pay debts of the estate, wherein you are parties defendant.

This April 17, 1916.
B. A. LINCOLN,
Clerk.

Roberds & Beckett,
Solicitor for Petitioner.

Notice to Creditors.

The State of Mississippi, Lowndes County.
Letters of administration having been granted to the undersigned upon the Estate of Mrs. Annie L. Alford, deceased, at chambers, in the City of Lowndes County, Mississippi, on the 14th day of April, A. D. 1916.

This is to give notice to all persons having claims against said estate to Probate and Register same with the Chancery Clerk of Lowndes County, within one year from this date. A failure to so probate and register said claim will forever bar the same.

J. B. ALFORD,
Administrator.

This, April 14, 1916.
Georgette Crape, Chiffon, Crepe de Chine in all colors, at Lipsey and Chapsky's.

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This April 17, 1916.
B. A. LINCOLN,
Clerk.

Roberds & Beckett,
Solicitor for Petitioner.

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Wishing you God speed in your new work and trusting that you may meet with that success which you so richly deserve, we beg to remain,

Most sincerely yours,
R. E. Johnston,
R. R. Banks,
I. I. Kaufman,
Committee.

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